



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

8th Fighter Wing
Office of Public Affairs
Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea

COLONEL PHILIP M. BREEDLOVE

Colonel Philip M. Breedlove is commander of the 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea. As commander of the 8th Fighter Wing, he is responsible to the commander, Seventh Air Force, for the wing's conduct of conventional air-to-ground and air-to-air missions in support of wartime taskings.

The colonel was born in Forest Park, Georgia, and was commissioned in 1977 as a distinguished graduate of the Georgia Tech Reserve Officer Training Corps. He entered the Air Force in March 1978 at Williams AFB, Arizona. Among his assignments he has commanded both the 80th Fighter Squadron at Kunsan AB and the 27th Operations Group at Cannon AFB, N.M., additionally he has served as operations officer Joint Staff J-3 Pacific Command Division, Washington D.C. Prior to assuming his current position, the colonel served as executive officer to the commander of Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va. He is a command pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours, primarily in the F-16. He has been assigned to numerous operational, command and staff positions and has completed five overseas tours.

EDUCATION

- 1977 Bachelor of Civil Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1982 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 1991 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 1991 Master of science degree in aeronautical technology, Arizona State University
- 1995 Masters Degree in National Security Affairs, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1978 - March 1979, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, AZ.
2. March 1979 – August 1979, pilot instructor training, Randolph Air Force Base, TX
3. August 1979 - January 1983, T-37 instructor pilot, evaluation flight examiner and runway supervisory unit controller, Williams Air Force Base, AZ
4. January 1983 - September 1983, F-16 student pilot, MacDill Air Force Base, FL.
5. September 1983 - January 1985, F-16 aircraft commander, instructor pilot, 614th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Torrejon Air Base, Spain
6. January 1985 - March 1987, air liaison officer, 602nd Air Support Operations Group, Kitzingen Air Base, West Germany
7. March 1987 - January 1988, F-16 pilot, 526th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, West Germany
8. January 1988 - August 1988, chief of flight safety, 316th Air Division, Ramstein Air Base, West Germany

9. August 1988 - August 1990, F-16 flight commander then assistant operations officer, 512th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
10. August 1990 - July 1991, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
11. July 1991 - May 1993, Chief of Air Operations, Headquarters Republic of Korea/United States Combined Forces/United Nations Command, Yong San Army Garrison, Republic of Korea
12. May 1993 - July 1994, commander, 80th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea
13. July 1994 - June 1995, student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. June 1995-July 1997, operations officer, U.S. Pacific Command Division, the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
15. July 1997 - June 1999, commander, 27th Operations Group, Cannon Air Force Base, N.M.
16. June 1999 - May 2000, executive officer to the commander, Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, VA.
17. May 2000 – present, commander, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,000

Aircraft flown: F-16, T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

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| Second Lieutenant | Jun 1, 1977 |
| First Lieutenant | Dec 10, 1979 |
| Captain | Dec 10, 1981 |
| Major | Nov 1, 1988 |
| Lieutenant Colonel | Jun 1, 1993 |
| Colonel | Jan 1, 1998 |

(Current as of May 2000)